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FOR: BENZAMIDINE DERIVATIVES

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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to examination on the merits, Applicants request entry of the following amendments.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, line 4, please insert the following:

--The present application is a Continuation Application of U.S. Serial No. 09/731,729,
C1 filed December 8, 2000, allowed, which in turn is a Continuation Application of
PCT/JP99/03055, filed June 8, 1999.--

Paragraph bridging pages 4 and 5, please replace as follows:

In formula (2), X represents hydrogen atom, carboxyl group, an alkoxycarbonyl group
C2 having 1 to 3 carbon atoms, an alkyl group having 1 to 3 carbon atoms which may have a
substituent(s) or benzyl group which may have a substituent(s). The substituent(s) is (are)
selected from among carboxyl group, alkoxycarbonyl groups having 2 to 8 carbon atoms,



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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Supplemental Preliminary Amendment

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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